## Youth Council Members

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**Deidra Conner,** Workforce Investment Board Representative (Evansville ARC)

Deidra Conner is responsible for the overall management and operations of Evansville ARC, Inc. a not-for-profit organization with approximately \$12 million in revenues and 175 employees. Services are provided to children and adults with developmental disabilities through a variety of programs and services including adult day services, community-based employment services, an inclusive childcare facility and full-time preschool program, and a 100,000 square feet manufacturing/packaging facility. Deidre received a Bachelor of Science in Business from the University of Southern Indiana and is a CPA.

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**Suzanne Crouch,** Workforce Investment Chair Representative (State Representative District 78)

Representative Crouch focuses on policies that grow jobs while restraining government spending. Representative Crouch serves as Vice-Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee, is a member of the House Financial Institutions Committee, the Government Reduction Committee, the Joint Committee on Medicaid Oversight and the Health Finance interim study Committee. She received a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Purdue University.

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**Jean Crowe,** Workforce Investment Board Representative (Hoosier Park Racing and Casino)

Since 1992, Jean Crowe has made her career in Human Resources for the gaming industry, first at Casino Aztar in Evansville and now at Hoosier Park Racing and Casino in Anderson. Jean worked in Human Resources in the coal industry after her education at the University of Evansville.

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**Lydi Davidson,** Representative of Youth Service Agencies, (Shelby County Community Aspiration)

Lydi Davidson leads a county-wide initiative focusing on early childhood education and youth development, adult education and workplace success. Her career has focused on the needs of children including Advocates for Children and the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. She received her Bachelors in Social Work from the University of Texas in Austin, a Master of Social Work from Indiana University in Indianapolis, and is a Certified Grant Writer and Development Professional.

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Cheryl Kervin-Jones, Parent, (Ripley Co. Family Services, Inc., Family Connections)

Cheri Kervin-Jones works to connect families to appropriate community resources and service organizations and is an advocate of the positive impacts these programs can have. When needed, Cheri makes home visits to families. The focus is to strengthen the parent/child relationship by improving parenting skills. She works on fundraising and other promotional efforts to sustain the company's ability to provide services. Cheri has completed several courses and workshops that focus on social work skills.

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**Robin Landrum,** Workforce Investment Chair Representative (Walmart)

Robin Landrum has been with Walmart since 2001 and is now the Human Resource Manager of the Seymour, Indiana facility and serves as Community Liaison. Robin ensures compliance with Human Resource policy and law, as well as manages and directs

associates by monitoring performance, identifying training and development needs, and by providing teaching and mentoring.

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## **Dorian A. Leiva,** Job Corps Representative (Atterbury Job Corps)

Dorian Leiva is a teacher at Atterbury Job Corps, an education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma, and find and keep a good job. He teaches Reading and Writing courses leading to a General Education Development, "GED" Certificate, a high school equivalency degree. Dorian is fluent in English and Spanish and helps students with English as a second language. Dorian received a B. A. in History from Indiana University and holds a Secondary Social Studies Teaching License.

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## Betty Lonis, Workforce Investment Board Representative, (Sallie Mae)

Betty Lonis has over 19 years of experience in the Human Resources field and is currently responsible for 1,800 employees at the Sallie Mae Fishers, Indiana site. Betty has developed her human resource skills working in health care, pharmaceutical manufacturing, mobile telephone, and government entities. She is currently State Director for the Indiana State Council for the Society of Human Resource Management. Betty earned a Bachelor of Science at Purdue and an MBA at Indiana University. She also holds the Senior Professional in Human Resources Certification from the Human Resources Certification Institute.

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**Judge Brett Niemeier,** Representative of Youth Service Agency (Vanderburgh County Superior Court: Juvenile Division)

Brett Niemeier was elected as Vanderburgh County Superior Court Judge in 2000 after 15 years as a Deputy Prosecutor. He has received several awards, including the Robert J Kinsey Award, the Youth Resources Volunteer Excellence Award, and the Youth Service

Bureau Contributor of the Year award. Judge Niemeier graduated from the University of Southern Indiana and the Indiana School of Law-Indianapolis.

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**Jennifer Osterholt,** Housing and Urban Development Employment Program Representative (Bloomington Housing Authority)

Since 2004, Jennifer Osterholt has held the position of Executive Director of the Housing Authority, first in Marion and now in Bloomington. Her career has been devoted to issues of housing and she has solid knowledge of the programs that aim to meet these needs. Jennifer has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Ball State University.

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Paula Pinkstaff, Workforce Investment Board Representative, (Toyota)

Since 1996, Paula Pinkstaff has been responsible for Human Resources at Toyota Motor Manufacturing. Paula has many years of experience in workforce development, beginning with her employment at Vincennes University where she served as Director for Workforce Development for over a decade. She is currently the Chair of the Region 11 board, Grow Southwest Indiana.

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**Marilyn Pitzulo,** Adult Education and Literacy Activities Representative (Department of Workforce Development)

Marilyn Pitzulo is the Adult Education Coordinator for Indiana Economic Growth Region 8. She has served in this role since October 2009, helping to implement the new regional plan for adult education. Marilyn has over 10 years experience in not-for-profit management serving as the Director of Health Services for TRI-CAP in Jasper and the Director of Finance and Human Resources for Shepherd Community Center Indianapolis. Marilyn has a Bachelor in Science in Accounting from the University of Florida and is currently pursuing her MBA.

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**Karen Ragland,** Representative of Individuals who have experience related to youth activities, (School Board Member, EVSC)

Karan Ragland is an elected member of the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation board of Trustees. She is also a Title I Math and Reading teacher at the Joshua Academy Charter School. Her career includes work as the Female Outreach Program Director at the YMCA of Southwestern Indiana, which focused on the needs of at-risk young women.

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**Derrick Stewart,** Community Based Organization Representative (YMCA of Southwestern Indiana)

Derrick Stewart is the Chief Executive Officer of the YMCA of Southwestern Indiana, a 19,000-member organization with an annual budget of \$7,000,000. He is President of the Board of the Evansville Regional Airport, a member of the Board of Trustees of Ivy Tech and is active in the community through service on several boards. He holds a B.A. from Indiana University.

**Derrick Stewart** 

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Holli Sullivan, Workforce Investment Chair Representative (Onward Consulting)

Holli Sullivan is business consultant and has experience in industrial manufacturing at major corporations including General Motors and Toyota. She is the founder of Women Right of Center and is the President of the PTF Board at Evansville Christian School. Holli received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Missouri in Industrial Engineering and studied Business Management at Lindenwood University in Missouri.

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## Patricia Sutton, Business Representative (Dearborn County Hospital)

Pat Sutton is the Director of Human Resources and Hospital Services at Dearborn County Hospital. She developed a highly successful "grow your own" tuition program that provides financial assistance for training and education for local residents leading to technical and professional jobs at the hospital. Pat is vice-president of the Board of the East Indiana Area Health Education Center (EI-AHEC), which has as a primary goal, to increase and improve the supply and quality of health care professionals in the 14 Indiana counties it serves, with special emphasis on their underserved areas. Patricia earned a M.B.A. and a B.A. at the University of Detroit.

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